

Getting to the Core

by Teresa Thompson and Sr. Joan Tetrault
June 22, 2008



In the Gospel from last week, we heard, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few." (Matthew 9:36) However, we have gathered more than a few "laborers"...

Youth Ministry Core Team

We are excited to let you know that people in the parish have come together to minister as a core team for youth ministry. The purpose of the core team is to come up with ideas to enhance catechetical and social events for the youth of the parish. We will be planning through the summer months to gear up for this fall. The book, *Renewing the Vision*, from the USCCB is the basis of our youth ministry program and we will be using this book as a planning tool. You may check out this book from the OLBH library, or you may contact the office if you would like to review it.

Gatherings of Grace Core Team

This summer the Gatherings of Grace core team will be meeting a couple of times to plan for next year, and even put together a six-year plan. We are using the evaluations you completed at last year's Gatherings of Grace to help us plan for upcoming events. We pray that Gatherings of Grace will help you and your families meet and get to know Christ in your lives.

We would also like to encourage you this summer to invite your family, friends and neighbors to your home for dinner or a backyard BBQ to experience a meal ritual. As a parish we experienced a meal ritual together during the last Gatherings of Grace. If you did not receive information packets regarding meal rituals, you may find them in the gathering area. Bon Appetite!

We appreciate each person's gifts and love of the youth and our parish, and we welcome anyone who would like to be part of an exciting adventure by being a member (laborer) of one of these core teams.

Blessings,

Teresa and Sr. Joan

The Week Ahead

June 23-29, 2008

Monday, June 23

Liturgical Color: Green

*Readings: 2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15, 18; Psalm 60:3-5, 12-13;
Matthew 7:1-5*

8:00 am: Daily Liturgy

Mass Intention: Thanksgiving for the rain
that has nourished our lands

6:30 pm: Youth Ministry Core Team meeting

Tuesday, June 24

Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Liturgical Color: White

*Readings: Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalm 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts
13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80*

6:00 pm: Home Mass at the Mendenhalls

Mass Intention: All who have been Baptized

7:00 pm: Adventures in Revelation

7:00 pm: Boy Scouts

Wednesday, June 25

Liturgical Color: Green

*Readings: 2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Psalm 119:33-40;
Matthew 7:15-20*

5:30 pm: Daily Liturgy

Mass Intention: Birthday blessings for
Lorraine Ptacek

6:00 – 9:00 pm: GOG planning meeting

Thursday, June 26

Liturgical Color: Green

*Readings: 2 Kings 24:8-17; Psalm 79:1-5, 8-9; Matthew
7:21-29*

8:00 am: Daily Liturgy

Mass Intention: The sick of our parish

Friday, June 27

Liturgical Color: Green

Readings: 2 Kings 25:1-12; Psalm 137:1-6; Matthew 8:1-4

No Daily Liturgy

6:00 pm: Circle B Chuckwagon Dinner

Saturday, June 28

Liturgical Color: Green

*Readings: Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Psalm 74:1-7;
20-21; Matthew 8:5-17*

8:00 am: Daily Liturgy with Eucharistic Adoration and Morning Prayer

Mass Intention: Shaune Peplo and Treavor
Hendrickson on their wedding day

9:30 – 11:00 am: Women's Encounter

2:00 pm: Peplo and Hendrickson Wedding

3:30 – 4:30 pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday Evening, June 28

Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Apostles

Liturgical Color: Red

*Readings: Acts 12:1-11; Psalm 34:2-9; 2 Timothy 4:6-8,
17-18; Matthew 16:13-19*

5:00 pm: Sunday Liturgy

Mass Intention: OLBH Community

Sunday, June 29

Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Apostles

Liturgical Color: Red

*Readings: Acts 12:1-11; Psalm 34:2-9; 2 Timothy 4:6-8,
17-18; Matthew 16:13-19*

8:00 am: Sunday Liturgy

Mass Intention: All Priests and Deacons

10:30 am: Sunday Liturgy with Baptism of Ashton Hunter Brunner

Mass Intention: Ashton Hunter Brunner

Parish Community News

June 22, 2008



Home Mass at the Mendenhalls!

Home Mass will be held at the home of Karen and

Wes Mendenhall, Tuesday, June 24, at 6:00 pm. To get there, take Elk Creek Road east to Erickson Ranch Road—about five miles. Then turn right on Erickson Ranch Road, go about three miles, then turn right again on Westridge Road. Go about a half mile to 4451 Westridge Road. It will be on the left and you will see a split rail fence along the driveway. If you get lost, call 787-5998.

Family Fun Night at the Circle B

Let's go together as a parish family to the Circle B Chuckwagon Dinner and Western Music Show on Friday, June 27. If you are interested in coming along, please sign up in the gathering area by June 22. The cost is \$20 for adults and \$11 for kids 4 to 11. If you have any questions please contact Karen and Wes Mendenhall at casadakota@earthlink.net.

Duc in Altum

(Latin for "Put out into the deep," Luke 5:4)

Summer Catechetical Program
for Children and Youth

July 27-31

Grades 1-8: Monday-Thursday, 9 am-2:30 pm

Grades 9-12: Sunday-Thursday, 7:30-9:30 pm

Cost: \$20 per child or \$35 per family

Registration forms are on the table outside the parish office.

Duc in Altum Volunteers

There are a variety of ways to help with the summer catechetical program. Look for sign-up sheets in the gathering area.

Ride Needed

We are looking for someone to carpool from Sturgis for the Duc in Altum summer catechetical program July 28-31. If you can help, please contact Teresa at 787-5168.

Wanna Be a Server?

If you would like to be an altar server, and you have already received First Communion, please sign up in the gathering area.

Special Blessings!



To Shaune Peple
and Treavor Kendrickson
on their Wedding Day
June 28, 2008

And to Ashton Hunter Brunner
on his Baptism Day
June 29, 2008

News from Around the Diocese

June 22, 2008

Totus Tuus Camps

Girls Camp, for those who have completed grades 6, 7, or 8: July 29-August 1

Girls Leadership Camp, for those who have completed grades 9-12: July 28-August 1

Boys Camp, for those who have completed grades 6, 7, or 8: August 5-8

Boys Leadership Camp, for those who have completed grades 9-12: August 4-8

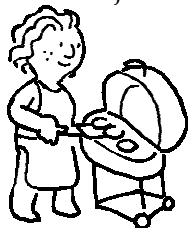
All camps will be held at Storm Mountain Center. Registration forms are available at your parish or at www.God's-call.org. Questions? Call the vocations office at 343-3541.

Friends of Luke and Martha

The Friends of Luke and Martha is an organization of Catholic single people, open to men and women, ages 21-55, who have never married, are separated or divorced, or widowed. On June 22 we will go out for dinner at Casa Real at 5 pm. And on Sunday, July 13, we will go to the "Blessing to One Another" exhibit and dinner afterwards. If you are interested in attending an upcoming event, contact Terry Schroeder at 341-1143 or Lisa Wattenhofer at 342-2305.

St. John's Church Picnic

St. Johns Catholic Church picnic will be held June 28, 4 to 7 pm, at the New Underwood Community Center. Come on out and join us for games, good food, foot races, and old fashioned family fun. For further information call 754-6415.



"Come Apart and Rest Awhile"

A Day of Prayer and Silence for Men

Fr. John Lule and Monsignor William O'Connell will lead a period of prayer and silence for men on Saturday, June 28, 9 am – 2 pm at St. Martin Monastery. Lunch will be provided. There is no charge to attend, but participants are encouraged to pre-register by contacting Fr. Lule at 342-0507 or johnl@olph.org.

Looking for David and Leo

The Cathedral Class of 1958 would like to know the whereabouts of David Dougherty and Leo Reinbold. If you know anything about them, please call Don or Flo at 393-8213. Thank you.

Victim Assistance

Our diocese provides confidential, caring, knowledgeable support in cases of sexual misconduct by church personnel. If you need this type of support please contact Maryann Tully, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 209-3418.

One-Month Novena of Prayers and Sacrifice for our Beloved Country

In July we honor the birth of our nation: the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The members of the St. Faustina Divine Mercy Prayer Group invite you to join them in a month-long novena of prayer for our country.

Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule

June 28-29, 2008

Ministry	Saturday, June 28 5:00 pm	Sunday, June 29 8:00 am	Sunday, June 29 10:30 am
Bread Baker	Marlys Sears	Marlys Sears	Marlys Sears
Altar Servers	Gina Czmowski Joe Schulte Tyler Trautman	Dane Schroeder Hannah Schroeder Liam Schroeder	Mattias Didriksen Austin Evans Kaleah Evans
Precious Blood	Jacqui Blaha Diane Clarke Joe Deaver Judy Wilson	Barb Erickson Gary Erickson Dennis Fischer Kevin Rohrbach	Brad Blauvelt Christine Didriksen Jim Hoag Jim McCormick
Precious Body	Brenda Czmowski	Larry Williamson	Mary Blauvelt
Lectors	Judy Olson Dennis Olson	Joyce Williamson Larry Williamson	Colette Stoffel Pauline Stoffel
Sacristans	Cindy and Craig Thompson	Barb and Gary Erickson	The Blauvelt Family
Ushers	Jami Korton Bette Stebbins	Don Everson Marc Jacobs	Mike Keller Dorothy Tinnell
Choir	Lori Miller	Regina's Minstrels	Lori Miller

Intercessory Prayers

Life and Health Concerns

Janice Collings, Joe Creek, Pam Deaver,
Meghan Freeman, Frank Keller, Marianne Lee,
Sharon Long, Henry Maicki, Enola Sorlie,
Peggy Volin, Wes Welch, Mary Kay Young

Repose

All victims of natural disaster

The Collection Basket

June 15, 2008

Loose	\$2,034.54
Envelopes	1,465.11
Votive	7.00
Student	54.80
<u>Building Fund</u>	<u>50.00</u>
Total	\$3,611.45



For the Ride Home
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 22, 2008

Scripture:

- o Praise the Lord, for he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked." (Jeremiah 20:13)
- o For the Lord hears the poor, and his own who are in bonds he spurns not. (Psalm 69:34)
- o How much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many. (Romans 5:15)
- o Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. (Matthew 10:32)

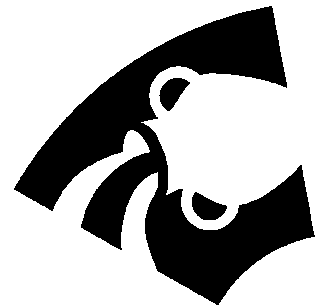
Reflection:

Who are the poor?

What are some of the bonds that tie people up and keep them from the fullness of the Lord?

What gracious gifts from God overflow from you?

In what ways do you acknowledge God?



For mercy has a human heart,
pity a human face,
and love, the human form divine,
and peace, the human dress.

And all must love the human form,
in heathen, Turk or Jew;
Where mercy, love and pity dwell
there God is dwelling too.¹

The cistern contains; the fountain overflows.²

¹ William Blake, *Songs of the Innocent*, (New York: Little, Brown and Co., 1985), 372.

² William Blake, *The Marriage of Heaven and Hell*, (New York: Little, Brown and Co., 1985), 372.

